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Resources for Relative and Kinship Caregivers

This section provides resources for kinship caregivers and outlines where relatives can go to find the support they need to be successful. Resources include handbooks and information about legal, financial, and other issues common to kinship families. The section also provides guidance on changing family dynamics and establishing permanency.

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Grandfamilies (<http://www.gu.org/OURWORK/Grandfamilies.aspx>) [\(/disclaimer/\)](/disclaimer/) [\(/disclaimer/\)](/disclaimer/)

Generations United (2016)

Works to enact policies and promote programs to help grandfamilies—kinship families in which children reside with or are being raised by grandparents, other extended family members, or adults with whom they have a close family-like relationship, such as godparents or close family friends. The site provides news and information on relevant topics, including housing, education, health care, and legal and financial information.

GrandFacts: State Fact Sheets for Grandparents and Other Relatives Raising Children (<http://www.grandfamilies.org/State-Fact-Sheets>) [\(/disclaimer/\)](/disclaimer/) [\(/disclaimer/\)](/disclaimer/)
Grandfamilies.org (2017)



Provides 50 State-specific factsheets, including information on kinship caregiver data, State programs and local resources, public benefits, educational assistance, legal information, and State laws. National information and resources for Washington, DC, are also included.

Grandfamilies Resources (<http://www.grandfamilies.org/Resources>)  (/disclaimer/) 
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Grandfamilies.org (2017)

Gives access to free and online resources in support of grandfamilies, including information on laws, financial assistance, health care, housing, caregiver support, education, and more. The site also includes links to national organizations and publications for kinship caregivers.



Grandparents Raising Grandchildren: Building Strong Families

(<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdf/files/FY/FY43700.pdf>)  (/disclaimer/)  (/disclaimer/) (PDF - 194 KB)

Forthun, Ferrer-Chancy, & Falcone (2013)

University of Florida, Department of Family, Youth, and Community Sciences

Highlights information for grandparents acting as kinship caregivers to help them build the knowledge and skills required for positive family relationships. The publication addresses spending quality time with children, maintaining a positive outlook, giving choices to children, setting limits and expectations, sharing feelings, adapting, and communicating.

Kinship Resources (<https://www.kidsmatterinc.org/get-help/for-families/kinship-care/kinship-resources>)  (/disclaimer/)  (/disclaimer/)

Kids Matter, Inc. (2016)

Lists resources that provide assistance to kinship caregivers, including grandparents raising grandchildren, young adults raising younger siblings, and all forms of extended kinship families. The site also includes links to national organizations.

Spotlight On

Kinship Caregivers and the Child Welfare System (/pubs/f-kinshi/)

Child Welfare Information Gateway
(2016)

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